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SUBJ: PROSSIBLE PROCUREMENT OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES FROM ITALY

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1. THE EMBASSY WELCOMES THE POSSIBILITY SUGGESTED REFTEL OF PROCUREMENT OF SELECTED TYPES OF NON-TACTICAL ITALIAN-MADE VEHICLES FOR USE BY U.S. IN ITALY. ALTHOUGH WE STRONGLY ENDORSE THE LOW-LEVEL APPROACH TO OBTAIN BACKGROUND DATA PRIOR TO A SEPTEMBER MEETING WITH THE APPROPRIATE ITALIANS, WE WOULD PREFER THAT AB INITIO ANY DISCUSSIONS WITH ITALIANS ON THIS SUBJECT CLEARLY PLACE THE POSSIBILITY (NATURALLY, GIVING NO ASSURANCES) OF SUCH PRUCHASES WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE "TWO-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WAY STREET," STANDARDIZATION, AND AWACS COMPENSATION.

2. IN ADDITION TO MAKING WORKING LEVEL CONTACTS BETWEEN DAO AND APPROPRIATE IAF/MOD OFFICERS, WE WOULD PROPOSE TO CONVEY IMPORT OF THIS INQUIRY TO SECRETARY GENERAL OF MOD GENERAL MOIZO WHO IS ALSO ITALIAN CHAIRMAN OF IEPG, AND WHO IS PERHPAS IN BEST POSITION TO ENCOURAGE

RAPID PROVISION OF INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR THE STUDY.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: AUTHORITY TO PROCEED ALONG FOREGOING LINES. GARDNER $\,$

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